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GRANDMA PRISBREY'S BOTTLE VILLAGE
4595 Cochran Street
Simi Valley
Ventura County
California

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Stephen Schafer, photographer, August 2009

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| CA-42-1 | Context View from 11' on ladder across Cochran Street toward entrance to Bottle Village parcel. Senior apartments on west side and residential home on east side of parcel. Camera facing north northwest. |
| CA-42-2 | Context View from 11' on ladder from southeast corner of Bottle Village parcel, just inside fence. Doll Head Shrine at far left frame, Living Trailer (c.1960 "Spartanette") in center frame. Little Wishing Well at far right frame. Some shrines and small buildings were destroyed in the January 1994 Northridge earthquake, and only their perimeter walls and foundations exist. Camera facing north northwest. |
| CA-42-3 | Center of parcel with mosaics. Mosaics consist of everyday throwaway objects of all kinds set in concrete mortar on ground. Leaning Tower of Bottle Village in front of Rumpus Room primary façade with 12' scale (in tenths). Camera facing north. |
| CA-42-4 | Center of parcel with picture tube wall along walkway. Leaning Tower of Bottle Village at frame right; oblique view of Rumpus Room, remnants of Little Hut destroyed by Northridge earthquake at frame left. Camera facing northeast. |

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- CA-42-5 Cleopatra's Bedroom oblique with picture tube wall along walkway. Structure is made solely of amber colored bottles. Roof supported by telephone poles. Areas of bottle wall above window opening collapsed in the 1994 Northridge earthquake. Camera facing northeast.
- CA-42-6 Cleopatra's Bedroom west facade with 12' scale (in tenths) with picture tube wall along walkway. Structure is made solely of amber colored bottles. Roof supported by telephone poles. Areas of wall collapsed in the 1994 Northridge earthquake. Camera facing east.
- CA-42-7 Round House front facade oblique with 12' scale (in tenths). Structure is 24' in diameter and has a sunken floor. Camera facing northeast.
- CA-42-8 Oblique along path toward structures at rear of parcel. Original skinny mosaic path along edge of structures was altered (delineation can be seen in concrete) path was widened with a newer mosaic to make access to the site safer. Structures (from right) edge of Round House (with "Spring Garden"), Pencil house, Shell House, School House, wood lattice is attached to chain-link fence along north (rear) property line. These structures were all damaged by the 1994 Northridge earthquake. Camera facing northeast.
- CA-42-9 View of structures at rear of parcel with 12' scale (in tenths). From right: edge of Round House, Pencil house, Shell House, edge of School House. Heart Shrine made from mortared car headlights at frame left. Camera facing east.
- CA-42-10 Detail view looking down at mosaics of everyday objects next to Living Trailer. Bottle Village is spelled out in shell casings, there are also keys, tiles, watch faces, and plastic parts. View looking north.

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- CA-42-11 Detail view looking down at mosaics of everyday objects next to Living Trailer (rear steps seen frame left). "They Last" tile in center surrounded by tiles, irons, glasses, toy guns, license plates, bottle caps, and plastic parts. The mosaic was created in sections as squares and linear strips, as cement was mixed and objects were collected – the edges of these sections and variation of objects is noticeable. View looking north.

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- CA-42-12 (CT) Color oblique along path toward structures at rear of parcel. Original skinny mosaic path along edge of structures was altered (delineation can be seen in concrete) path was widened with a newer mosaic to make access to the site safer. Structures (from right) edge of Round House, Pencil house, Shell House, School House. These structures were damaged by the 1994 Northridge earthquake. Camera facing northeast.
- CA-42-13 (CT) Color view of structures at rear of parcel. From right: Pencil house, Shell House, edge of School House. Camera facing east.
- CA-42-14 (CT) Color partial view of horseshoe shrine at bottom of frame made from mortared headlights. Edge of Round House with "Spring Garden" at far right of frame. Camera facing southeast.
- CA-42-15 (CT) Color detail view looking down at mosaics of everyday objects next to Living Trailer. Bottle Village is spelled out in shell casings, there are also keys, tiles, watch faces, and plastic parts. View looking north.
- CA-42-16 (CT) Color detail view looking down at mosaics of everyday objects next to Living Trailer (rear steps seen frame left). "They Last" tile in center surrounded by tiles, irons, glasses, toy guns, license plates, bottle caps, and plastic parts. The mosaic was created in sections as squares and linear stirips, as cement was mixed and objects were collected – the edges of these sections and variation of objects is noticeable. View looking north.